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## Alumnae News and Views from Everywhere

#### **ALUMNAE MEETINGS**

The last regular meeting of the Alumnae Association was held on the second Tuesday of January. At that time the members voted that the Hospital Bulletin would be sent only to non-resident and associate members. The News-Letter will be sent to all members who have sent in their correct address to Helen Johns, Corresponding Secretary. There will be some repetition of news in the Bulletin and in the News-Letter because of this change.

The Board of Directors of the Alumnae Association, held their last regular meeting the second Tuesday of February. It was decided at that time that the Social Committee would sponsor a play, given by the Alumnae members. Details of the play will be given elsewhere in this paper.

The Alumnae Association held an "Open Meeting" for the Seniors on Monday, March 19th, at 8:00 p. m. Refreshments and social time followed the business meeting.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors will be held Tuesday, April 3rd, 1934.

#### **GRADUATION NEWS**

The Baccalaureate Program for the graduating class will be held on Sunday, May 6, at St. Pauls' M. E. Church. This will be a united Baccalaureate Service of the several Nursing Schools in this community. The Rev. Paul Wolfe, of the First Presbyterian Church of Evanston, will give the address.

The Commencement Exercises for the graduating class of 1934 will be held in the Assembly Room at Sprague Home, on Thursday, May 10. More detailed announcements will be sent out later.

#### 1934-1935 SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The 1934-35 School Announcements will be published in the near future. Anyone desiring a copy may secure one by sending a request to Miss Mc-Millan.

## JANE A. DELANO MEMORIAL MEETING

A very interesting meeting given by the Jane A. Delano Post of the American Legion, under the Auspices of the American Red Cross Nursing Service, commemorating the Birthday of Jane A. Delano was held on Monday, March 12, at the Woman's Club.

#### "THE MILLION DOLLAR BUTLER"

Whoever heard of a "Million Dollar Butler?" He will be presented in a play with other very interesting and intriguing characters at the Y.M.C.A., 1804 West Congress Street, on April 12, 1934 at 8:15 P. M.

The play will be presented by members of the Alumnae Association. "Come if you want a good laugh." Admission 40c.

#### 1910

Mrs. Jane Walter Coon, is a patient at the Cleveland Clinic Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio. Dr. Crile of that institution will remove her thyroid, the last of March.

#### 1911

Charlotte Landt, Superintendent of Nurses of Natona Memorial Hospital of Casper, Wyoming, sends greetings to Alumnae members and friends.

#### 1918

Helen McNaughton Spencer is moving to Syracuse, New York, where her husband is to establish a School of Journalism at the University.

#### 1919

Bertha Bennett is at home in Waterloo, Iowa, convalescing from a recent illness.

#### 1920

We are grateful to Helen Warner of Whitewater, Wisconsin, for the following news items concerning the class of 1920.

Excerpts from a "Round Robin" letter that was started by Helen Warner follows:

Ola Terhune who has charge of a Tuberculosis Sanitarium, located at Los Angeles, California, writes that it was necessary to abandon the Sanitarium following the floods in early January. They were in no immediate danger, but decided that it would be safer to close the Institution during the rainy period.

Ola Terhune also writes of an interesting party of Presbyterian Nurses in Los Angeles, last fall at the home of Mrs. G. D. O'Gormon nee Teresa Moran. The following were present: Dr. Anita Gelber Frederick, 1920; Mrs. Mary Livingston Proctor, 1925; Agnes Nordschow, 1920; Agnes Wilson, 1923; Burdette Roemer, 1927; Edna Quigley, 1927; Mrs. Ramona Burch McCallum, 1925; Mrs. Helen Lounsberry Pedler, 1923; and Mrs. Ruth Kleymeyer Beer, 1925.

Mary P. Billmeyer writes a very interesting letter concerning her work in Oregon. She writes, "Since the legislature cut our State Health Department Budget so drastically and eliminated all of our office force except my secretary and me, I have had not only all of the administration to do, but all the field work too, which keeps me traveling so much of the time. About the only thing that I can do is to try to hold on to what we already have, with very little hope of much progress being made for a year or two.

"At present I am way down in the Southern part of Oregon, at Medford, the gateway to Crater Lake, one of the Seven Wonders of the world. I wish you might see it, also this gloriously beautiful State of Oregon. It is truly magnificent, the coast highway absolutely unsurpassable for beauty, the mountains literally drop into the sea; and trees, trees, evergreen trees everywhere.

"The school nurse here in Medford is a Presbyterian graduate of 1928, Mrs. Ruth Swanson Dodson. There is also another Presbyterian nurse doing County Public Health work in Pendleton, Oregon, Ruth Hinegardner, 1924."

#### 1921

Florence Gregory enjoyed a trip with the John Barrymores last summer when they went to Alaska in their yacht. She was nurse for their small son.

Mrs. Kenneth John MacKenzie, nee Anna Rauch, has been pioneering with her husband and family on their 2,000 acre farm in South Rhodesia, Africa. For some time they lived in a grass hut doing all of their cooking under the open sky, but recently have constructed a small house of home-made bricks, on a beautiful site near running water and surrounded by trees. Mr. MacKenzie keeps the family supplied with wild deer meat. Leopards,

monkeys and baboons are about them always. Rainfall is plentiful and vegetation is luxuriant.

Julia Larson has been called home to Scandia, Kansas, where she is caring for her mother who is ill.

Martha Mills Hill, who recently took a "brush up" course at the hospital, sailed from New York on the Bremen on March 4. She is returning to the Philippine Islands to join her family. While in Chicago, Mrs. Hill took vocal lessons, and before leaving gave a very delightful recital, at the Nurses Headquarters. After the recital Esther Harper Gatewood, Jessie Stevenson, Helen Starr Pettee and Ella Van Horn served tea to the many guests.

Edith Margaret Potts now of New York City, New York, is engaged in a very interesting piece of work at the present time. She has at her disposal several types of Psychological Tests that are available to Schools of Nursing, to be used in determining the ability of student nurses along various lines. She reports that Schools in which students are tested immediately after admission find that they can make eliminations much earlier and have a better knowledge of the ability of the students and are so able to plan teaching content and methods more satisfactorily.

#### 1922

Gwynaeth Porter, Superintendent of Nurses in a Hospital in Taxilla, North India, is spending her furlough in the United States. After a few weeks' rest at her home, she plans to attend the University of Chicago and take work toward her Masters Degree.

Mrs. Helen Munson, associate editor of the American Journal of Nursing, was in Chicago to attend the Congress on Medical Education and Hospitals of the American Medical Association, including the luncheon of the Central Council for Nursing Education. She visited our Hospital as well as others, while she was in the city, as a representative of the American Journal of Nursing. She spoke to the Senior students of our School on the advantages of the Nursing Journal to the Nursing profession.

#### 1923

Mary Verlee who sustained rather severe injuries in an automobile accident the first part of February, expects to resume her duties at the Passavant Hospital in the near future.

#### 1924

Mrs. Thoral Davidson, nee Gertrude Kreimeier, of Mason City, Iowa, visited friends in the City in January.

Olive Cawenberg of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, visited friends here in February.

"Don't forget the Million Dollar Butler, April 12." "See the Million Dollar Butler at Y. M. C. A., April 12."

#### 1925

Mabel Fennie has returned to her work at Passavant Hospital following an absence of several weeks because of injuries received in an automobile accident.

Grace M. Coffman formerly Director of the Tacoma Washington Public Health Nursing Association has taken up her new duties as Assistant Director of the National Organization for Public Health Nursing.

#### 1926

Myrtle Walters of Los Angeles, California visited friends in Chicago, in November. She related many interesting incidents concerning the screen celebrities that she had cared for in Hollywood.

#### 1927

Evelyn Seegmiller, a member of the teaching staff of our Hospital enjoyed a two weeks' vacation in St. Petersburg, Florida, during February.

#### 1928

Mrs. George Thorne nee Winona Hayenga of Cameroun, West Africa is on her way back to the United States. She will arrive in New York the first part of April.

Hazel Minnich Landis entertained several members of the 1928 class at her home on January 31. The following class members were present: Mrs. Aagot Bergh Green, Nellie Crout, Mattie Shaw, Beulah Dalton, and Alice Spellman.

Eleanor Jones has accepted a position as Supervisor of the Obstetrics Department of the Highland Hospital, Oakland, California. Her new duties began March 1st. Many delightful social affairs were held in her honor before her departure.

After March 1st, Aagot Bergh Green will make her home in Chillicothe, Illinois. Dr. Green will practice medicine in that locality.

Sophie Lundgren sends a most interesting letter from Honolulu, T. H., where she has been engaged as a Supervisor of the Nursery at Kapiolaiu, which is a fifty bed Maternity and Gynecology Hospital. She sails March 28th, for points West and around the globe. Japan is her first stop, then China. She intends to work en route as far as Manilla. She will be gone for two years, then expects to return to Chicago.

Iola Sloniker who has been a floor Supervisor at Kapiolaiu, Honolulu, for a year has accepted a position on Maui in a sugar plantation Hospital at Puunene.

Mrs. Stripe, nee Helen Palmatier is employed in the City Emergency Hospital, Honolulu, T. H.

#### 1929

Ruth Church writes that she is enjoying her work at the University of Wisconsin Medical School.

Mary Holcomb visited friends in the City the latter part of February on her way back to Philadelphia. She had been called home because of the death of her small niece.

Mary O'Niel and Alice Richards have recently completed a four months' course in anaesthesia at Michael Reese Hospital.

#### 1930

Maude Baake who has been spending the winter in Beverly Hills, California, expects to return to Chicago soon.

Grace De Wolf has resumed her duties on "C" Floor as first-hour nurse following a months' leave of absence.

#### 1931

Frances Locke is still enjoying her work in the Schools of Hammond, Indiana. She plans to take a course in Public Health work this summer.

#### 1932

Doris Helbing has returned to Chicago from New York and is engaged in Private duty nursing.

#### 1933

Macie Allen is taking a Post Graduate course in Pediatrics at the Mercy Hospital, Kansas City, Missouri.

Kathryn Steigman has accepted a position with the Visiting Nurse Association of Chicago.

Lillian Vosloh has accepted a position at the Bushville Hospital, Brooklyn, New York.

Julia Neville is studying medicine at the University of Chicago.

Vera McWatters visited friends here during February. She is doing General duty in the Harper Hospital, Detroit, Michigan.

Mrs. A. H. Sellman, nee Irma Anderson, has accepted a position in the Obstetrical department of Cornell Clinics.

Fannie Nelmark has accepted the position as nurse for the Boy's Club at the Union League Club.

Johanna De Vries has recently finished a post-graduate course in Obstetrics at the Chicago Lying-in Hospital.

"Remember the Million Dollar Butler, April 12."

#### **MARRIAGES**

Eleanor Kee, 1927, to Mr. Frederic Miller, February 2, 1934.

Glee Irwin, 1927, to Mr. James J. Mitchell on January 20, 1934.

Viola Helen Klink, 1933, to Mr. L. F. Lasher on March 8, 1934.

Edith Ferris 1909, to Mr. Paul Du Barry.

Helen Walker 1931, to Mr. Harry Blashek, December 6, 1933.

Marion Taylor, 1927, to Mr. Chawncey McClain, Monday, January 1, 1934.

#### **BIRTHS**

To Dr. and Mrs. T. H. Gasteyer, nee Ann Helig, 1929, a daughter, February 22, 1934.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hartlib, nee Lavonne Larson, 1932, a daughter in February.

#### **DEATHS**

Dean Harlow Davis, infant son of Dr. and Mrs. John Davis, nee Sylvia Johnson, 1927, of Belle Fourche, South Dakota, in November, 1933.

# "The Million Dollar Butler" at the Y. M. C. A. Thursday, April 12, 1934

#### YOUR HELP WILL BE APPRECIATED

The present plan is to publish the News-Letter four times a year; the latter part of March, June, September and December. Anyone having a news item of any interest to the Alumnae members please send it to Alice L. Spellman, 1750 W. Congress Street.

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### Alumnae News and Views from Everywhere

#### **GRADUATION EXERCISES**

The outstanding event of the year of 1934 of the Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing was the Graduation exercises on Thursday, May 10, at the Sprague Home for Nurses.

The fine program was greatly augmented by the address given to the members of the Graduating Class by the Reverend J. W. G. Ward of the First Presbyterian Church, Oak Park, Illinois. Fifty-two members of the class received diplomas.

#### **BACCALAUREATE**

The Bacçalaureate Service for the Schools of Nursing of the West Side was held May 6th at the St. Paul Methodist Church.

The Reverend Paul A. Wolfe of First Presbyterian Church of Evanston gave the interesting and appropriate address.

#### ALUMNAE LUNCHEON

The annual Alumnae Luncheon was held on Friday afternoon, May 12th, in the Crystal Ballroom of the Blackstone Hotel.

The Alumnae members are always pleased when the Luncheon is held in the Crystal Ball Room, and feel that the Social Committee for 1934 should be complimented for one of the nicest luncheons the Alumnae has ever given.

#### ANNUAL BALL

The Annual Ball of the Alumnae Association was held the evening of May 12th, in the Crystal Ball Room of the Blackstone Hotel.

Cope Harvey's Orchestra furnished the music for that occasion and everyone reports that the Ball was a success.

The proceeds will be added to the Endowment Fund.

## ALUMNAE PLAY VERY SUCCESSFUL

The play "The Million Dollar Butler," given by the members of the Alumnae Association on April 12, 1934, was a very successful affair from all angles. The audience was surprised and pleased at the exceptionally fine talent that was portrayed and is looking forward to another play given by the same cast.

Financially the play was a success, netting a profit of eighty-nine dollars, (\$89.00) which will go towards the Alumnae Pledge to the Nurses Cottage of the Edwards Sanitorium at Naperville, Illinois.

## ALUMNAE PLEDGES \$200 TO EDWARDS SANITORIUM

At the Open Meeting of the Alumnae Association in May, the Alumnae pledged one hundred dollars for the Nurses Cottage of the Edwards Sanitorium at Naperville. This pledge was taken care of by the pleasant surprise of a refund to the Alumnae Association of a check for one hundred dollars which the Alumnae had given twenty years ago to help organize the First District Association. This year the First District felt that they were financially able to return all gifts of money that were given at that time.

The Board of Directors voted at the June Meeting to add eleven dollars to the eighty-nine dollars netted from the Play and pledged a second one-hundred dollars to the Nurses Cottage of Edwards Sanitorium.

#### **ALUMNAE SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Alumnae Association has been able to offer two scholarships of one hundred dollars each to Alumnae members who are desirous of taking a University Nursing Course.

One Scholarship has been awarded to Hazel Altmann (1925). She plans to take a Public Health Course at Ann Arbor, Michigan.

#### A. N. A. CONVENTION

The Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing was ably represented at the Convention of the American Nurses Association held in Washing-

ton, D. C., the last week in April by the following staff members: Miss Forrest, M. L. Morley (1921), Edna Hermann 1929, Madeline Swetland 1929, Helen Kallenberg 1930, and Fedelia Cleveland 1932, Jean Fowler 1924, an Industrial Nurse, Mary Dunlap 1923, of the Visiting Nurse Association, Beatrice Binder 1930, and Pearl Garnaas 1930, of Children's Memorial Hospital were delegates from their organizations.

The Illinois Nurses Dinner held on April 26, was attended by many of our nurses. The following were present on that occasion: Miss Forrest, Mary Dickson 1917, Lelith Davis 1926, Marie Harden 1929, Besse Ruwitch 1909, Grace Coffman 1925, Besse Hurt 1926. Beatrice Binder 1930, Pearl Garnaas 1930, Mrs. L. Reed Allan 1921, Helen Denne 1915, Mary Cutler 1916, Mary Dunlap, 1923, Edith Potts 1921, Laura Weyrick 1931, Melvina Wassenaar 1931, Ruth TeLinde 1922 and Mrs. Helen Munson 1922.

#### HISTORY OF NURSING IN ILLINOIS

The following item has been copied from a bulletin issued by the Illinois State Nurses Association:

"A History of Nursing in Illinois is now assured. April 1st, 1935, will see it in circulation.

Mary Dunwiddie, R. N., a graduate of Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago, 1920, has been assigned the ask of assembling the facts and writing the manuscript. But every nurse in Illinois must collaborate in order to have a perfect piece of work."

#### PRESBYTERIAN ALUMNAE TEA AT LA JOLLA

On May 5th, 1934, a tea for Presbyterian Alumnae members was held at the home of P. K. Jones 1908, in La Jolla, California. The following Alumnae members were present: Peninah K. Jones 1908, Julia S Chubbick 1908, Mrs. R. L. Buffum (Bess Parker) 1908, Mrs. Vera Harley Davis 1910, Mabel Brown Liddell 1915, Bernice Cosgrove 1920, Adele Huls 1923, Alma Bratager 1926, and Mrs. L. L. Taylor (Alice Sonius) 1931.

#### . . . 1910

Mrs. Jane Walter Coon has returned to her home in Fort Wayne, Indiana, following her recent thyroidectomy at Cleveland Clinic Hospital. She plans to return to laboratory work in a few months.

#### 1915

Mrs. W. A. Winbaugh, nee Hulda Sjolander, has recently returned from a ten week visit in the Canal Zone.

#### 1916

Mrs. B. Sharp, nee Alice Percy, and family of Galveston, Texas, have come

to Chicago for the summer months.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Banks of Silverton, Colorado; visited in the City recently. Mrs. Banks is the former May Ruggles.

#### 1918

Mrs. Clark H. Laus writes that she is planning to be in Chicago this summer and will visit her friends at Presbyterian Hospital. Mrs. Laus before her marriage was Jeanette Bratager.

#### 1919

Gertrude Perlman is now employed by the Board of Education of Minneapolis as a member of the Hygiene Staff.

Bertha Bennett is planning to take some work at the Iowa State Teachers College at Cedar Falls, Iowa, toward her degree in Science.

Mabel Hubbard, who has charge of the Out-Obstetrical Department of Rush Medical College is enjoying a two months vacation following a recent cholecystectomy at Presbyterian Hospital.

#### 1920

Grace Heidlebaugh has accepted a position as Instructor in Tuberculosis Nursing and Assistant Superintendent of Nurses in the Tuberculosis Division of the Herman Kiefer Hospital in Detroit, Michigan. This division has a capacity of seven hundred and sixtyone beds. Miss Heidlebaugh held a position as Supervisor at the Chicago Municipal Tuberculosis Sanitorium previous to her work in Detroit.

#### 1923

Hazel Pratt, who has been ill for the past year, is now able to do parttime work in the Clinic of the Bronxville Hospital, Bronxville, New York.

Gladys Baldwin has returned to the Edwards Sanitorium at Naperville, Illinois, as a patient. She has been doing part-time work at the Billings Hospital for the past several months.

Liala Johanson has recently accepted the position as Superintendent of the Charles Jennings Hospital, Detroit, Michigan. For the past several years Miss Johanson has been an Assistant Superintendent of Nurses and Supervisor of Nursing of the Presbyterian Hospital.

Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Risteen recently moved to Aurora, Illinois. Mrs. Risteen before her marriage was Florence Schrankel.

Catherine Clow is attending the Columbia University. She is working towards her Master's Degree.

Mrs. R. T. Salmon, nee Helen Laird, writes concerning her work as Superintendent of the Hospital at Howell, Michigan. The hospital consists of twenty-three beds and seven bassinettes. Mrs. Salmon does the X-Ray

and laboratory work in addition to her many other duties.

#### 1924

Iva Delp is now employed at the Good Samaritan Hospital of Los Angeles, California.

#### 1925

Martha R. Jenny is enjoying her fourth year of service with the Bureau of Public Health Nursing, State Board of Health, Madison, Wisconsin. She is planning to attend Columbia University Teachers' College this summer.

#### 1926

Mr. and Mrs. P. Klintman visited in the United States last October at which time they adopted a baby boy, to whom they have given the name Richard Eckles Klintman. They have returned to South America to Mr. Klintman's engineering work. Mrs. Klintman before her marriage was Mary Eckles.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Cook and family have moved to Huntley, Illinois. Mrs. Cook was the former Eleanor Severin.

Myrtle Walters, who has been in Los Angeles for several years, returned to Chicago with a patient.

#### 1928

Emma Hellekson of Zuni, New Mexico, writes an interesting account of her work with the Indians of that location. She is planning to take a nine-month course in Public Health Nursing at the University of Washington, starting this Fall.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Thorne of Cameroun, West Africa, spent the first week of May in Chicago. They plan to spend the summer in Berkeley, California, and will return to Africa next spring. Mrs. Thorne before her marriage was Winona Hayenga. The following members of the class of 1928 enjoyed a delightful evening and visit with Mrs. Thorne at the home of Alice Spellman on May 2nd. Nellie Crout, Beulah Dalton, Leona Diehl, Bertha Gaeckle, Nettie Hawkinson, Bess Hawver, Helen Higgins, Mrs. Wm. T. Brannon (nee Erma Lebert), Charlene Mc-Elwee, Mrs. H. B. Landis (nee Hazel Minnick), Helen Nelson, Mattie Shaw, Alice Spellman, Ethel Steingraber and Mrs. H. F. Andree nee Margaret Vollmer.

Word has been received from Sofia Lundgren that she has started on her trip around the world.

Alice Spellman, who has been doing Infant Welfare Work for the Rush Medical College, has accepted a position at Children's Memorial Hospital. Her new duties will begin July 2nd.

Eleanor Jones writes from the High-

land Hospital of Oakland, California, that her new work is very different than her work at Presbyterian Hospital, but it is very interesting. Obstetrical patients are kept in the Hospital only four days. Her patients are mainly Japanese, Portugese, and Mexican

#### 1929

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Ball and daughter are making their home in Toulon, Illinois. Mrs. Ball is the former Kathleen Harris.

Martha Haugsten is enjoying her work at the Presbyterian Hospital in Philadelphia.

Mary Holcomb, who is employed as a Surgical nurse in Montifiore Hospital of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, visited friends in Chicago the first week in June.

#### 1930

Gladys Heikens has accepted a position as Supervisor of Obstetrics in the Blessing Hospital, Quincy, Illinois. Her new duties began April 16.

Alice Roller, who is taking a Postgraduate course in Pediatrics at St. Vincent's Hospital, is taking some extra work at the University of Chicago. Miss Roller is also substituting for Miss Sellow, who has charge of the nurses at the hospital.

#### 1931

Mary Meith is spending her furlough at home in Cairo, Nebraska. She has been in Nicaragua, for the past two years. She visited friends in Chicago, enroute to her home.

Audrey Spawn and Marguerite Kutchera left Chicago, the last of May for a trip abroad. They plan to see the Passion Play at Oberamergau.

#### 1932

Irene Welsh is doing general duty at Good Samaritan Hospital of Los Angeles, California.

Elnora Johannes recently returned from Florida, where she has been with a patient for the past three months.

Lottie Kopp will begin her new duties with the Infant Welfare Society of Chicago, the latter part of June.

#### 1933

Nondas Degener of Chicago Infant Welfare Society has left by bus for a trip to California, where she will spend her vacation.

Helen Kleven left for Detroit June 1st, where she will be employed in the Harper Hospital.

Eloise Edwards has accepted a position at Billings Memorial Hospital in Chicago. Her new duties began June 1st.

#### 1934

Bertha Warner leaves August 11th for China, where she will be engaged in nursing under the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions.

#### **MARRIAGES**

Bertha Johnson, 1933, to Alfred Meissner, April 7, 1934, in St. Charles, Illinois.

Alice Miller, 1933, to William Curtis, May 10, 1934.

Margaret Grimson, 1929, to Dr. John Fricky, June 4, 1934, in Aurora. They will make their home in California.

#### **BIRTHS**

To Dr. and Mrs. J. Paul Medelman, Helen Kyle 1928, a son, John Paul, Jr., on April 6, 1934, in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

To Mr. and Mrs. Davis Warner, Edith Wakefield, 1928, a daughter, Gwendolyn Ann, April 13, 1934, in Leland, Illinois.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bouma, Vortex Walker 1925, a son, James Robert, April 6, 1934, in the Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago, Illinois. To Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Wurster, May C. Johns 1915, a son, in July, 1933.

To Dr. and Mrs. Frank Trangmer, Bonnie Harper 1924, a daughter, December, 1933.

To Mr. and Mrs. Coit H. Conant, Josephine Kenyon 1931, of Niles Center, Illinois, a son, Coit Howard Jr., May 19, 1934.

To Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Weinfurter, Dorothy Melson 1931, of Sherry, Wisconsin, a daughter, Lois Arlene, April 8, 1934.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harell Murdock, Marguerite Durler 1927, a son, John Durler, May 14, 1934, in Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago.

To Mr. and Mrs. Claude McAffe, Zora Bauer, 1931, of Brighton, Illinois, a son, February, 1934.

To Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hayes, Della Matthews 1924, at Kalamazoo, Michigan, a daughter, Catherine Ann, May 30, 1934.

To Mr. and Mrs. Floyd E. Wade, Esther Matthews 1929, a son, Robert Floyd, June 17th, 1934.



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#### **EXPERIENCES IN CHINA**

We have Jeannette Veldman, 1929, to thank for this very interesting letter. She wonders what would interest us? She has just returned from her first Conference in China, that of the Nurses' Association of China. We know that would be interesting as she state it is different from one in America.

"I went up to Shanghai on a comfortable coast steamer, had two days in Shanghai and my first taste in four years of city life, elevators, street cars, taxis, traffic lights, (The New York of the East it is sometimes called.) Along with this are the rickshas, ragged professional beggars and men doing the work of beasts. Four comfortable quiet days up the Yellow Yantze. After a four hour wait at the stop just before our destination, the Company Agent came up to ask if we were nurses. We replied, 'Yes we both are.' He was relieved and thankful to learn that we were as the Captain had pneumonia. We were asked to take charge of him. course, we were ready to do what we could and after receiving instructions and medicines from a shore doctor, we were on our way again, our patient with a very high temperature, a rapid pulse and respirations. We thanked God when the hospital ambulance took him off twenty-four hours later in

The Nurses' Association of China is also a member of the I. C. N., and has been complimented by them for its rapid growth upward since 1914, the year it was organized by a few missionaries for mutual help. Today it is more than one-thousand strong, with by far a majority of Chinese members. And it was the Chinese delegates who did most of the talking at the Conference. It was interesting to watch the trend of their remarks. When Chinese get an idea they 'go for it' and this year it was Public Health

Education. China needs it badly, so we shall all put our shoulders under preach Public Health, though the nearest public health center and public health nurse are at least five-hundred miles away. The hospitals need more graduate help inside and so are unable to begin this coveted center. Another interesting thing was the cry of 'raise the standards of entrance.' Our students now must have an equivalent to our ninth grade or more. Along with this came the 'let the nurse use all she knows' plea, but of course, our nurses do not have time to teach the patients, in addition to all regular hospital duties. We should get helpers to assist with the cleaning. 'China is different from every other country and we must meet our own problems,' said a spirited young Chinese Public Health nurse. Servants are plentiful in China's four-hundred million. One wonders what the trend of nursing in China will lead to as the foreign influence is gradually withdrawn and the Chinese influence extended. Education and menial tasks naturally do not go together in the Chinese mind.

Another interesting item of the last year is that the Central Government of China has registered the N. A. C., which means that all of our members automatically have national registration. Would it not be fun to be able to practice our profession all the way from Maine to California and back again without a thought of reciprocity?

The Conference ended with a Chinese banquet. Then back down the Yantze River. This time our Captain kept well but came to ask us if we would help a young mother who was doing her duty toward maintaining the population of China. We could not help smiling as we rushed off. No days are monotonous in China.

Five hours in Nanking—a city whose gates are closed every night—to take a car ride around to some of the fa-

mous spots. Another day of 'City life' in Shanghai where Jennie Jacobs, Hazel Taylor and I had a little Presbyterian reunion. Miss Warner of the class of '34 had been to visit Miss Taylor just the day before on her way to the North of China. Two more days to Amoy. Six days going, six days coming, six days conference, three days of City Life.

The hospital looked better than when I left it and was as filled with patients as ever. Warm smiling greetings from doctors, nurses and coolies. I cannot think of a better place to work than in a Christian hospital.

The end. Too long? Greetings and good wishes to you all. Come pay me a visit when you get bored or want a change."

#### **CLASS OF '27 REUNION**

The following members of the fall division of the class of '27 were entertained in the home of Frances Zoller and Florence Coon, at an afternoon tea, which was held Sunday, August 26th: May Kersten, Arlene Deck Cermak, Hertha Larsen, Glee Irvin Mitchell, Isabelle Bennett Stoll, Louise Barthelmaus Witt, Pauline Vierigg Campbell, Charlotte Brooks, Ruth Rauma, Nedra Hubbard and Evelyn Seegmiller.

It was a grand reunion of old friends, the letters received from members of the class who were not able to come were greatly appreciated and enjoyed.

Charlotte Brooks has returned to New York City to begin a post graduate course in The Womans' Hospital, and to carry on some studies at Columbia University.

#### **NEWS FROM HONOLULU**

A recent letter from Carolyn Hemphill, 1920, enclosed a letter written to the Beloit College Bulletin from Amy MacOwan, 1922, who is in Honolulu, Hawaii.

"You have been told of Hawaii from a social workers point of view and I should not think you would want it again from a nurse. This is not a foreign country. If you could be here and read the local papers on 'Who is or who not likely to be appointed Governor this spring,' you would realize that we are a part of the United States, even if some people count us only a toe-hold for the Navy, and others think the inhabitants are all hula girls with ukes, grass skirts and toothful smiles.

Honolulu is a modern City of some 141,000 inhabitants of more than 57 varieties or mixtures. It is not true

REMEMBER HOMECOMING
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH .

that there is no racial discrimination and no antagonism here, but it is not pronounced and to a large extent the people of the various races meet on common ground according to their status in life.

At Palma Settlement we have workers of many nationalities. Our Medical Director in the Clinic is Chinese. On our staff of nurses there is a Filipino, one Korean, and one Japanese, not to overlook Danish, Swiss, Australian, English, Scotch, American and New Zealand Girls. Our file clerk is Chinese-Hawaiian. We are indeed a cosmopolitan group. Of course, there are language difficulties. There are Chinese and Japanese language schools, which impose upon the oriental children a rather confusing dual education. In the public schools many of the teachers are not good linguists when it comes to handling the pronunciations and inflections of English tongues. Children among themselves speak a dialect or patios that is confusing to the untrained ear. A dialect of mixed English and Hawaiian words is our medium whether we talk to Hawaiian, Filipino, Porto Rican or Chinese, when our ordinary English fails. Because of the Island corruption of correct English we find the majority of Caucasion children attending English standard schools where no one gains admittance except through examination.

I am educational supervisor of the nursing department at Palama Settle-ment. We give a generalized public health service in common with the nurses working under the Territorial Board of Health. Each nurse is responsible for all types of nursing in a certain area—home visits for maternity work, health supervision for communicable disease including tuberculosis. She also visits her schools and kindergartens twice a week to give health supervision to children. She conducts pre-natal and child health conferences and teaches classes Home Hygiene and nursing as opportunity arises. She is a busy woman. My work has been to assist in standardizing technique, developing a system of records and to undertake a program of continuous staff education. Several of our nurses are College graduates and others have had public health nursing courses, but we need to keep up with modern methods. I have also taught a course at the university.

This summer, 1933, I am going to the States on a scholarship from the Hawaiian Foundation, to visit various public health nursing organizations, to study administration, education of the staff and similar problems. When I return I shall be in charge of the nurses as our present head nurse is resigning.

Palama Settlement has a large recreational department, big dental clinic, and general dispensary as well as special clinics for V.D., T.T.N., and Tu-

berculosis. It started as a religious mission chapel in the nineties but now has nothing sectarian, nor religious about it."

#### **SURGERY**

Speaking of Operations: The hospital has just finished having some plastic surgery. A little amputating, a little re-building and transplanting and the first floor examining rooms have been given a new aspect.

The Social Service department has been transplanted to other quarters. A waiting room and two new examining rooms occupy that space. Supplies have been concentrated in one room, thereby assuring fewer interruptions in the examining rooms. A new telephone system has been installed, one nurse handling all telephone calls and registering all patients to be seen by the doctors.

At Homecoming stop and see if you consider the operation a success.

#### 1908

Mary Wilson is now in charge of the Obstetrical Department of the Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago.

#### 1911

Herborg Reque is employed as a social worker with the New York Travelers Aid Society.

#### 1918

Ann Jannsen has accepted a position with the Visiting Nurses' Association of Clinton, Iowa.

#### 1921

Helen Jacobson Anderson with her family left their home in Chicago some months ago to be with her Mother in Bishop Hill, Illinois, who was critically ill. Mrs. Jacobson passed away in May and to Helen we extend our sympathies.

#### 1923

Mary Dunlap has accepted a position as Educational Director on the Visiting Nurse Staff in Omaha, Nebraska.

#### 1924

Dorothea Elliker is now working with the Visiting Nurses' Association.

#### 1929

Ruth Church spent two months this summer as a member of the Presbyterian staff. She resumed her course in medicine in Madison, Wisconsin, the last of September.

Margaret Morgan visited the hos-

pital and school on July 6, 1934, on her way to Denver, Colorado. On August 8th, she assumed the duties of Educational Director of City and County Hospital of that City.

#### 1930

Pearl Garnaas has a position in Washington.

Alice Spellman, 1928, succeeds her as supervisor of a floor at Children's Memorial Hospital, Chicago, Illinois.

Dorothea Marty is now located in the Margaret Hague Maternity Hospital in Jersey City, New Jersey. Grace De Wolf succeeded Lilly

Grace De Wolf succeeded Lilly Sader as nurse at the Continental Bank in Chicago.

Helen Kallenberg left the last of September to take a post graduate course in Contagious work at the Cook County Hospital in Chicago.

Miss Mildred Castell, 1932, has taken over Miss Kallenberg's duties as supervisor of Second Floor Jones, Lower Hall.

Dorothy Heffner and Valeria Hodge are now members of our staff.

#### 1933

Mary Jackson has resigned her position at Chicago Lying-In Hospital and begins work October 1, 1934, as supervisor of Obstetrics at South Hampton, New York on Long Island.

Virginia VonDohren and Elizabeth Wesselink are now employed in the Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago.

Lois Owen who has been in the Presbyterian Hospital in Albuquerque, New Mexico, is back in Chicago doing special duty nursing.

Harriet Yeoman spent three months as camp nurse at Camp Rheinberg, Palatine, Illinois.

Esther Salzman left the first of October for Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania, where she has accepted the position of Instructor of Nurses at the Henry Clay Frick Memorial Hospital.

#### 1934

Those of the 1934 class now on the staff of the Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago are: Esther Anderson, Mildred Cline, Rachel Foster, Mary Higgins, Olive Pierner, Mabel Riggs, Dorothy Roberts, Hazel Tombaugh, Ruth Phillips, Clarice Johnson, Ruth Schmidt, Esther Saam, Madeline Vanden Akker, Marion Levson and Amy Larrance.

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#### **MARRIAGES**

Marcella Rognes, 1930, to Reverend Lorne McDonald, June 26, 1934 in Vermillion, South Dakota.

Marjorie De Kleine, 1933, to Dr. Robert Perkins, June 20, 1934.

Gwendolyn Sanders, 1931, to Dr. H. J. Cornwell, June 27, 1934.

Martha Wilcox, 1919 to Dr. Arthur Hansen, July 11, 1934 in Joliet, Ill.

Mabel Oberg, 1923, to Mr. Richard Gulbransen, June 25, 1934, Chicago.

Elizabeth Greer, 1927, to Mr. Fritz Helmold, August 25, 1934, Chicago.

Marjorie McNaughton, 1933, to Dr. L. H. Kermott, July 18, 1934.

Amelia Mazzorana, 1924, to Dr. George Callahan, September 1, 1934.

Helen Kleven, 1933, to Dr. Burton Queen, June 15, 1934.

Frances Thompson, 1930, to Mr. G. J. Van Henvelen.

Ethel Takkunen, 1926, to Mr. Robert Barney, September 12, 1934.

Marian Armentrout, 1934, to Mr. Gordon Dodds, September 11, 1934.

#### **BIRTHS**

To Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Wurtzel, nee Vivian Kintzler, 1932, a son, John Alvin, July 25, 1934, in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.

To Mr. and Mrs. Grover Smith, Lois McNeil, 1930, a son, Tuckett, June 2, 1934, in Honeywell, Kansas.

To Mr. and Mrs. Raymond McCormick, Alice Dolan, 1930, a girl, Ann, October 8, 1934 in the Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago, Illinois.

To Dr. and Mrs. David Proctor, Mary Livingston, 1925, a son, Donald George, on October 8, 1934.

To Mr. and Mrs. Graham, Florence Eckdahl, 1921, a daughter, Doris Lorraine, March 21, 1934.

#### **DEATHS**

Marguerite Mathewson, 1928, on August 15, 1934.

Alice Snow, 1908, on August 13, 1934.

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